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Barcelona, June 13. *N. S.*

THE King of Spain is preparing for his Departure from this Place for Valentia, and will proceed from thence to Madrid. A Detachment of Horſe and Foot, under the Command of Count Noyelles, is marched from hence towards Arragon, to give Countenance to the Inhabitants of that Country, who appear very deſirous to come under the Obedience of their lawful Sovereign. The French Troops are now retired into Rouſſillon, having been continually haraſſed in their March by the Miquelets, who in their ſeveral Skirmiſhes with the Enemy have killed and taken many of them, and made Booty of good part of their Bagage; and there are none of their Troops remaining in this Country beſides the Gariſon of Roſes, conſiſting of two French and as many Neapolitan Regiments; which laſt deſert to us daily: That Gariſon is ſo ſickly, that they bury about 20 of them every Day. We have various Reports concerning the further March of the Enemy's Troops, ſome ſaying, that part of them are to go to Italy, and the reſt to the Cevennes, where a new Inſurrection is expected; and others, that they are to proceed to Navarre, in hopes of re-entring Spain that way; which laſt Report is the moſt credited: But in all appearance we ſhall have a ſufficient Body of Troops on that ſide to prevent their Deſign, long before they can arrive on thoſe Frontiers.

Lisbon, July 5. *N. S.* Letters from our Army of the 21ſt of the laſt Month give an Account, That they were then at Eſpinal, at the Entrance of the Paſs called Puerto de Guadarama, 12 ſhort Leagues from Madrid, and 2 from the Eſcurial, being come thither by very diligent Marches the 19th. The Duke of Berwick was with his Forces at Segovia; but upon the approach of our Troops, ſent his Foot from thence, with a few Horſe, on the Road to Burgos, and himſelf, with the greateſt part of his Horſe, paſſed the Puerto de Guadarama, and, without ſtaying to defend that Paſs, marched the 19th towards Torre de Maros, 5 Leagues from Madrid, where he arrived the 20th, and was joined by the Conde de las Torres who had brought about 1500 Men, moſt of them Horſe, from the Frontiers of Valentia. The Towns of Segovia, Guadarama, the Eſcurial, and many other Places, ſent Deputies to make their Submiſſion, and declared for their lawful Sovereign King Charles the Third. The Duke and Dutcheſs of Anjou have both left Madrid. The Duke was with the Duke of Berwick at Pardo, 5 Leagues from Madrid; and the Dutcheſs was ſaid to be gone towards Pampeluna, whither it was not doubted but the Duke would follow her, not having Forces enough to oppoſe our Army. The News at Madrid was, That a ſtrong Body of the King of Spain's Forces, with whom his Majeſty was ſaid to be in Perſon, was come from the Frontier of Valentia by the way of Requena, Cuenca, and Guete, and was advancing towards Madrid. Our Generals had reſolved to leave their Body of Foot, with the Artillery and Bagage, in the Camp at Eſpinal, and to march with all their Horſe, and 8 Battalions of Foot, the 22d to Guadarama, and the next Day to Pardo, and from thence to advance to Madrid. The Duke of Anjou, two or three Days before he left Madrid, called together all the Grandees and the reſt of the Nobility, and acquainted them, That he was reſolved again to take the Field, and it was his Pleaſure they ſhould follow him; but they excuſed themſelves; taking Notice at the ſame time of the little Truſt he had heretofore repoſed in them, allowing them no Part in the Adminiſtration of Publick Affairs, which were entirely guided by French Councils; and moſt of them retired to their Country Houſes, there being but two of the Grandees, viz. the Dukes of Medina-Sidonia and d'Oſſuna, that accompanied him. An Expreſs is arrived from the Portugueſe Army in Eſtramadura, with Letters of the 30th paſt, giving an Account, That on the 27th they attacked the Town of Barcarota, whereof they poſſeſſed themſelves after ſome Reſiſtance: Since which they had alſo taken the Town of Salva-Real; and that Mez, Almendroal, Torres and Logales, had ſubmitted and declared for his Catholick Majeſty.

Whitehall, July 17. By the Sarah Galley, lately arrived from the Streights, there came Letters this Day from Sir John Leake, dated the 19th paſt, O. S. off of Alicant, which give an Account, That the Land Forces he had brought with him from Barcelona being landed at Valentia, it was reſolved in a Council of War to proceed with the Fleet to Alicant; but being got the length of Altea, two Gentlemen came off and acquainted the Admiral, That the Inhabitants of Carthagena were ſo well diſpoſed to the Intereſt of their lawful King Charles III. that upon the appearance of the Fleet, they believed that City would declare for his Majeſty. It was thereupon reſolved to proceed to Carthagena, and the Fleet arrived there the 12th Inſtant at Noon. Letters were immediately ſent to the Governor and Magiſtrates, to ſummon them to ſurrender, and to encourage the Citizens to declare for King Charles III. and in the mean time the neceſſary Diſpoſition were made for attacking the Place by Sea and Land: But about 11 the next Morning they ſent Deputies to make their Submiſſion; and a Gariſon was put into the Town, conſiſting of 600 Marines, under the Command of Major Hedges. The Fleet ſailed from Carthagena the 18th in the Morning, and was to Water at Altea, and to proceed from thence to Alicant. While Sir John Leake was off of Altea, he received Information, that two Gallies belonging to Carthagena were to ſail in few Days from thence to Oran, with Money to pay that Gariſon: Upon which he detached Her Majeſty's Ships the Hampton-Court and Tyger to cruiſe off of that Place, in order to intercept thoſe Gallies, which they found the next Day at an Anchor off of Cape Palos; and as ſoon as thoſe on board the Gallies diſcovered that the Ships were Engliſh, they came off and declared for King Charles. They were commanded by the Conde de Santa Cruz.

The Sarah Galley came away from Barcelona the 12th of June, O. S. at which time the King of Spain was parting from thence for Madrid.

Whitehall, July 17. Mr. Montague, Aid de Camp to the Earl of Galway, arrived this Evening from Lisbon, being ſent Expreſs by his Excellency with the good News of his Arrival at Madrid with the Confederate Forces, and of the King of Spain's being Proclaimed there: Of which we have the following Accounts.

From the Camp near Torre, June 26. *N. S.* The Confederate Army came to this Camp the 24th Inſtant, which is within 3 Leagues of Madrid; and yeſterday the Alguazil-Mayor, with three other Deputies, came from the Corregidor of that City, to make their Submiſſion to King Charles III. To morrow we are to march to that Place, where Preparations are making to Proclaim his Majeſty in the moſt ſolemn manner. Several Perſons of Quality that came over to us yeſterday and this Day ſay, That the City of Seville has alſo declared for his Catholick Majeſty; and that the whole Province of Andaluſia would ſoon follow that Example. The Duke of Anjou having left Madrid, is retiring to Burgos.

Madrid, June 27. *N. S.* This City, upon the Confederate Army's advancing hither, has declared for our lawful Sovereign King Charles III. to the univerſal Joy of all the Inhabitants, to whom the Oppreſſion of a French Government was grown intolerable. Several Couriers have been ſent to his Catholick Majeſty, to haſten his coming to this Place, where he is impatiently expected by his loyal Subjects; and the Country between us and Valentia being now entirely free from the Enemy's Troops, we hope his Majeſty will come with only a Body of Horſe, for the greater Expedition; and as ſoon as we have Notice of his being arrived in Caſtile, a Detachment of Horſe will be ſent to meet and attend him hither. The Duke of Anjou was yeſterday with the Duke of Berwick at Guadalaxara, and intends, as is ſaid, to go from thence to Burgos.

Lisbon, July 9, *N. S.* A Courier arrived here laſt Night from Rome, being ſent with the Cardinal's Cap to the Pope's Nuncio, who is lately promoted to that Dignity. He came thro' Madrid the 2d Inſtant, and brings Letters from thence dated that Day, by which we have an Account, That the Inhabitants of that Place, of all Ranks and Conditions, appear very unanimous in their Zeal for his Catholick Majeſty, and full of Joy and Satisfaction for their Deliverance from Foreign Tyranny, being exaſperated with the Indignities which the French have put upon them in many reſpects, and particularly at their leaving Madrid; upon which Occaſion they not only plundered the Royal Palace of the Jewels, Plate, and other Valuable Effects belonging to the Crown, but cut the Pictures to pieces, broke and tore down the Furniture of the ſeveral Apartments, and deſtroyed whatever they could not carry away with them: That the 29th paſt the Dukes of Medina-Celi and Infantado, the Conde de Lemos, and the Marquis del Carpio, Four of the moſt conſiderable Perſons in Spain, came to our Camp to confer with our Generals: That the ſeveral Tribunals at Madrid had iſſued their Orders for the Proclaiming of his Catholick Majeſty in all Parts of Spain; which ſeveral Places, and particularly the City of Toledo, had already complied with; and it was hoped their Example would ſhortly be followed throughout the whole Kingdom. This Courier adds, That he paſſed through Badajos, and that Town had likewiſe declared for the Catholick King. The Duke and Dutcheſs of Anjou were fled to Burgos, and would probably ſoon retire to Pampeluna. The Duke of Berwick was alſo marching the ſame way with his ſmall Army, which was daily leſſened by the great Numbers of Spaniſh Officers and Soldiers, who willingly lay hold of this Opportunity to quit the Service of their King and Country's Enemy, and come over to us.

The King of Portugal, accompanied by the Princes his Sons, and the great Officers of his Court, went yeſterday in a ſolemn manner to our Cathedral, to return Thanks to Almighty God for theſe great Succeſſes; and there are to be publick Rejoycings for three Days upon this happy Occaſion.

Windſor, July 15. A moſt humble and loyal Addreſs from the Repreſentatives of Her Majeſty's Royal Boroughs of Her ancient Kingdom of Scotland, in Convention aſſembled, was this Day preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir Patrick Johnſton, Lord Provoſt of Edinburgh; introduced by the Right Honourable the Earls of Marr and Loudown, Secretaries of State for the ſaid Kingdom; wherein they do, in a moſt dutiful manner, congratulate the great and glorious Succeſſes of Her Majeſty's Victorious Arms, particularly thoſe under the Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough; and pray for Her Majeſty's long Life and glorious Reign, that She may ever triumph over Her Enemies, and reign in the Hearts and Affections of Her People; and that Her Majeſty may be the Glorious Inſtrument of Uniting the Two Kingdoms in a more ſtrict and firm Union, to the Advantage of both Nations, in their Religious and Civil Rights. Which Addreſs Her Majeſty received very graciouſly.

Windſor, July 17. The following moſt dutiful and loyal Addreſſes, congratulating Her Majeſty upon the moſt glorious and happy Succeſſes of the Arms of Her Majeſty and Her Allies, and more eſpecially thoſe under the Command of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough, have been preſented to Her Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Deputy Recorder, Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and Town-Clerk, of the Corporation of Taunton in the County of Somerſet: Preſented by his Grace the Duke of Ormond.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgeſſes and Commonalty, of Her Majeſty's Borough of Great Yarmouth in the County of Norfolk, in Common-Council aſſembled: Preſented by the Rt. Hon. Charles Lord Viſcount Townſhend, Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the ſaid County.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Magiſtrates, Common-Council, and Free Burgeſſes, of Her Majeſty's ancient Borough of Devizes in the County of Wilts: Preſented by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Wharton.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common-Council, of Her Majeſty's ancient Corporation and Borough of Ripon: Preſented by Mr. Secretary Harley.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, Bayliffs and Burgeſſes, of the ancient Corporation of Heddon in the County of York: Preſented by William Pulteney Jun. and Anthony Newcombe Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord High Treaſurer.

The humble Addreſs of the Bayliff and Burgeſſes of Her Majeſty's ancient Borough of Stockbridge: Preſented by Sir Edward Lawrence, one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament; being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Somerſet.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Chief Steward, and the reſt of the Free Burgeſſes, of Her Majeſty's Borough of Caſtleriſing in the County of Nor-